

PATENT APPLICATION

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 2452**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Sunao KAWAI

Group Art Unit: 2452

Application No.: 10/720,375

Examiner: H. HOANG

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For: NETWORK SYSTEM

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In reply to the September 25, 2009 Office Action, reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

Claims 1 and 3-57 are pending in this application. No claims are amended.

Claims 1, 3-8, 10-15, 20-25, 27-32, 37, 39, 40, 42, 43, 45-47, 49, 50, 52, 53 and 55-57 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Fillion et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,119,156, in view of Bares, U.S. Patent No. 5,194,895, and Simpson et al., U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0084086. The rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claim 1 recites a monitoring period determining system that determines a monitoring period with respect to operational parameters set by a first user and recites that the modification control system modifies operational parameters . . . if the monitoring period has expired. The Office Action admits that Fillion fails to teach a monitoring period and the